licensing policy of the refineries, so now anybody can come without any licenence and open a refinery. I think there is a pending application with the Government of Andhra Pradesh for creating a private refinery at Kakinada. So far as the public sector is concerned, there is no such proposal today.

SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN: Sir, the hon. Minister had said that it had taken 110 days to begin the production in this oil well. It is because of the fact that the rigs were damaged or destroyed due to some or the other reasons. It takes a very long time to rectify the mistakes and to make it workable. Based on this experience, has the Petroleum and Natural Gas establishments made any arrangements or is there any mechanism—when such destruction takes place or some fault appears—to see that those are set right within the shortest possible time? Otherwise, we are incurring huge losses due to production losses.

SHRI K. RAMAMURTY: Sir, I agree with the hon. Member that the mistakes should be rectified and the particular portion of the defaulter machine should be replaced in the shortest time. As I explained to you in the beginning, this is a platform which is receiving the crude oil pumped in from the well to the offshore storage tanks. This has been completely destroyed as it was to be replaced. There was no question of rectification. As I have already mentioned, nearly $6 billion dollars have been spent on that. But as on date, our technology having the shortest methods is the best way with which we could rectify the mistakes.

Sir, I will also share this information with the House that this production loss which we incurred during these eighty days will be made up within a year because of increased production.

SHRI C. APOK JAMIR: For quite some time the ONGC had been operating in Nagaland, especially in the Champang oilfield for extraction of crude oil. Of late it has stopped operating there more because of the insurgency problem and also because of the local problem. I would like to know whether the Government of India is making any effort to review its decision with regard to extraction of crude oil especially in Nagaland.

SHRI K. RAMAMURTHY: Mr. Chairman, Sir, I am thankful to the hon. Member for raising this issue. Our estimation in regard to the potential of oil and gas deposits in the North-East is very high. We have been able to extract it. Unfortunately the local laws are such that instead of the royalty being paid to the Government, the local law says that it should be paid to the Panchayat and other community leaders. We have not been able to resolve it. Even the Nagaland Government is not coming forward to resolve it. So, we have stopped this operation. Only after resolution of these could it be done. Apart from the insurgency issue, this also is one major issue. We were forced to stop it. Whenever the Nagaland Governmet comes forward and settles the issue, we will be able to do it. We are prepared to pay royalty as per the Royalty Act existing in our country.

White Paper on ISI Activities

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have details of the ISI activities;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to bring a White Paper on ISI activities; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A White Paper is being prepared and is proposed to be presented to Parliament soon.

MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: May I know from the hon. Minister whether Government has any action plan to tackle the ISI activities in the country and

whether this plan is being implemented? If so, what are the results?

SHRI L.K. ADVANI: Sir, the Government regards ISI's activities in the country as extremely serious and a grave threat to the national security. With this appraisal we have been trying to evolve an action plan *vis-a-vis* the ISI modules in the country. In the past year we achieved some measure of success, but the threat persists.

In the last meeting of the Home Ministry's Consultative Committee, I had shared some information with the Members of the Committee. They proposed that we should share the entire information as far as possible and feasible with Parliament in the form of a White Paper. And, as I have indicated, we propose to present a White Paper to Parliament soon.

MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Sir, I am very glad to hear from the hon. home Minister that he is going to present a White Paper to Parliament very soon. I would just like to know from the hon. Minister this. If you are going to present a White Paper to parliament, are you going to present the White Paper to Parliament in the current Session? Will there be a discussion also on it? And, what has been the trend in the activities of the ISI for the past three years? Have they been on the increase or on the decrease? What are the corrective measures taken by the Government? When the Minister was answereing this question, the answer was not really very satisfying. I would like to request the Minister that he should answer my question with the proper factual position. He should keep the facts before the Parliament.

SHRI L.K. ADVANI: Sir, the first part of the question was whether the White Paper would be placed in the current Session of Parliament. I hope it would be possible. I have used my words carefully because, at the moment, it is being prepared and then, before I present it to Parliament, it has to be adopted by the suitable form within the Government.

On the second party of the question, I have no intention of holding back anything from the House. If there had been a specific question that you had put, I would have certainly volunteered to reply to it. As it is, I would say that after the 1971 war in which Pakistan suffered a major defeat on the battle field, they have planned this operation which they implemented sometime after 1980. And between 1981 and 1987, we had witnessed three hijacking cases. Three Indian aircraft were hijacked to Pakistan in which Pakistan's involvement was obvious. Then, after 1984, they intensified their activities in Punjab and then in Jammu and Kashmir. Later on, having suffered a set-back in these two States, they have been trying to spread their activities elsewhere towards the north-east, even in the south or in Maharashtra, and we witnessed that horrendous bomb-blast in Bombay. And, all these activities, there is little doubt, had been engineered by pakistan's ISI. We have ample evidence to substantiate this. So far as the Government is concerned, the Government is making our intelligence agencies more effective and also trying to see that these elements are isolated from the general masses and the general people. In this year alone, we have been able to unearth and smash more than 20 such modules of the ISI.

SHRI JAYANT KUMAR MALHOUTRA: Sir, I am very happy with the anwer given by the hon. Minister when he says 'yes' to the ISI activities. We all know that the big mafia don in Dubai has links with the ISI. Recently, an operative of his who also has links with this don in Dubai, who is connecected with the ISI, was caught after operating in Delhi for 10 or 12 years. Not only that. Also his links with powerful bureaucrats, powerful police officers, powerful politicians and powerful industrialists came to the knowledge of the Home Ministry. My specific question is, after knowing who are those people involved, whether the Home Ministry is now afraid of opening up the whole of

Pandora's box in public and taking action against those people because those officers and those policemen etc. who are involved or who were involved in giving cover to this individual are still in place. Therefore, my question is, is it not affecting national security?

SHRI L.K. ADVANI: Sir, the hon. Member has referred to the case of Romesh Sharma, and I think, a compliment should be given to the person who dared complain against him, because in the past, those who had been cheated by him, those whose properties had been grabbed by this don, they had been reluctant even to lodge a complaint against him, and in this case, the person who complained against him, was later on allegedly beaten up and taken here and there and everything was done. He ultimately stuck to his guns, and therefore, the Government of India got an opening in this matter. Those cases are being pursued separately. But as the hon. member has rightly pointed out, for a person situated in Dubai, a person who is allegedly responsible for the serial blasts in Bombay, for him to be able to get a front man in the capital of the country, and that front man should be able to operate with impunity over a period of years, this could not have happened had it been without support and patronage and protection by people high-up, maybe in politics, maybe in bureaucracy, maybe in the police, and therefore, the Government of India, the Ministry of Home Affairs specifically requested the CBI, that, apart from the other specific cases that are being pursued for which he has to be tried, we would like to know how he was able to operate successfully. So, that is a separate issue or a separate line which is being investigated by the CBI and we hope to get the information in that regard soon. So far as what the hon. Member has said is concerned, I can only say that the Government is conscious of it and the Government would not like to see people who have been playing ducks and drakes with the country's security, continue with impunity, wherever they are. Steps would be taken against them. But at the same time, we do not want to use this particular episode only for the purpose of maligning anyone. We do not want to use this for the purpose of any witch-hunting, because after all, I know how many people have been associated with him, have gone to his parties and met him. On that basis, I don't find fault with anyone. Only because a person knows him, there is a picture of someone along with him, that is not sufficient. That may be all right for investigation. That is all right. But that by itself is not an offence. For that alone, no one is going to be maligned in any way. But this is certainly true, if a person knew that he has been associated with Dawood Ibrahim, and yet was consorting with him, yet was going on with him, these are matters which have to be investigated. I can assure the House that this matter will be thoroughly investigated and taken to its logical conclusion.

SHRI JAYANT KUMAR MALHOUTRA: Sir, this is a very serious matter. The national security is at stake. The Home Ministry is having specific knowledge about those officers who were giving protection to him. If they continue in those jobs, then the national security will be at stake. Why can't some action be taken to see that the national security is not at stake?

SHRI L.K. ADVANI: I am awaitimg a preliminary report on the basis of which specific action can be taken. Otherwise, I understand the implication of your question. I have it in mind. I can only once again reassure the House that so far as the national security is concerned, this Government will not compromise.

मौलाना ओबैदुल्ला खान आज़मी: सर, मैं सवाल करने से पहले पाकिस्तान की हुकूमत और आई॰एस॰-आई॰ को मुखातिब करते हुए अपनी पार्लियामेंट से सीधे यह कहना चाहता हूं कि हिंदुस्तान में गड़बड़ी फैलाकर हमारे मुल्क की जमीन को हथिया लेने का जो नापाक

†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Miss Saroj Khaparde.

ख्वाब वह देख रहे हैं, उस ख्वाब को हम अहले-वतन कभी भी पूरा नहीं होने देंगे:

"गैरों को मय ए गंगो जमन, दे नहीं सकते
हम अहले वतन खाक ए वतन, दे नहीं सकते।
भारत तो बड़ी चीज है क्या देंगे किसी को,
हम पाक के मुर्दों को कफन दे नहीं सकते।"

सर, अपने इन जजबात की रोशनी में मैं होम मिनिस्टर साहब से यह कहना चाहूंगा कि आई०एस०आई० और पाकिस्तान की हुकूमत की शरारतें दुनिया में छुपी नहीं हैं। दुनिया के दूसरे मुल्कों के वे लोग, जो हमारे सहयोगी हैं, वे भी जानते हैं और जो हमारे विरोधी हैं वे भी जानते हैं और आई०एस०आई० की जितनी भी निंदा और जितनी भी मुजम्मत की जाए वह कम है।

सर, मैं एक बात यह कहना चाहूंगा कि मुल्क में पिछले दिनों कुछ अखबारों में यह आता रहा है कि कुछ मदरसों में, इस्लामी दर्गाहों में आई०एस०आई० के एजेण्ट मौजूद हैं। मैं बड़ी सफाई के साथ इस बात को कहना चाहता हूं, अगर हैं तो उन्हें फोरन गिरफ्तार किया जाना चाहिए, मुल्क और कौम के सामने लाकर उनको नंगा किया जाना चाहिए, ऐसे एदारों को फौरन बंद किया जाना चाहिए और जितनी कड़ी से कड़ी सजा उनको दी जा सकती हो, उतनी कड़ी से कड़ी सजा दी जानी चाहिए। मैं इस सरकार से यह जानना चाहता हूं कि क्या हुकूमत के पास ऐसे कोई सबूत हैं कि इस्लामी दर्गाहों में, मदरसों में या मुस्लिम यूनिवर्सिटी में, जो यह आरोप लगा-लगा कर हिन्दुस्तान के मुसलमानों को नर्वस किया जा रहा है, कि वाकई इन जगहों पर आई०एस०आई० या पाकिस्तान के एजेंट मौजूद हैं? अगर हैं तो, मैं गृहमंत्री जी से यह चाहूंगा कि, वह इसी हाऊस में इसी वक्त ब्यौरा दे दें और अगर नहीं हैं तो इतनी शर्मनाक बात कहकर हिन्दुस्तान के मुसलमानों की वफादारी पर हमला करने वाले लोग मेरी नजर में हिन्दुस्तान के दुश्मन हैं और मुल्क के इस्तेहकाम को तोड़फोड़ की जानिब ले जाना चाहते हैं, ऐसे लोगों के खिलाफ आप क्या कार्यवाही करेंगे? उसका भी आश्वासन इस हाऊस में आना चाहिए।

सर, एक बात और पूछना चाहूंगा। यह आई०एस०आई० की गतिविधियां कोई नई चीज़ नहीं हैं। उसने हमसे बदला लेने की कसम खा रखी है। बदला क्या लेना है, पाकिस्तान बना ही हिन्दुस्तान के विरोध में हिन्दुस्तान को कमजोर करने के लिए। आई०एस०आई० ने कश्मीर और पंजाब में .....(व्यवधान)..... जी, बस खत्म कर रहा हूं। जिस तरह से हमारे मुल्क को उसने परेशान कर रखा है, जितनी जल्दी उनके इस आक्रमण को लपेट दिया जाए, मटियामेट कर दिया जाए, उतना ज्यादा बेहतर होगा। मैं यह चाहता हूं, मैंने जो सवालात किए हैं उन सवालात का आप मुझे जवाब दे दें।

†[مولانا عبید اللہ خاں اعظمی: سر، میں سوال کرنے سے پہلے پاکستان کی حکومت اور آئی۔ایس۔آئی۔ کو مخاطب کرتے ہوئے اپنی پارلیمنٹ سے سیدھے سے یہ کہنا چاہتا ہوں کہ ہندوستان میں گڑبڑی پھیلا کر ہمارے ملک کی زمین کو ہتھیا لینے کا جو ناپاک خواب وہ دیکھ رہے ہیں، اس خواب کو ہم اہل وطن کبھی بھی پورا نہیں ہونے دیں گے۔ غیروں کو مے گنگ و جمن دے نہیں سکتے ہم اہل وطن خاک وطن دے نہیں سکتے بھارت تو بڑی چیز ہے کیا دیں گے کسی کو ہم پاکستانی مردوں کو کفن دے نہیں سکتے

سر، اپنے ان جذبات کی روشنی میں میں ہوم منسٹر صاحب سے یہ کہنا چاہوں گا کہ آئی ایس آئی اور پاکستان کی حکومت کی شرارتیں دنیا میں چھپی نہیں ہیں۔ دنیا کے دوسرے ملکوں کے وہ لوگ، جو ہمارے سہیوگی ہیں، وہ بھی جانتے ہیں اور جو ہمارے ورودھی ہیں وہ بھی جانتے ہیں اور آئی ایس آئی کی جتنی بھی نندا اور جتنی بھی مذمت کی جائے وہ کم ہے۔

سر، میں ایک بات کہنا چاہوں گا کہ ملک میں پچھلے دنوں کچھ اخباروں میں یہ آتا رہا ہے کہ کچھ مدرسوں میں، اسلامی

†[ ]Transilteration in Arabic Script

سر، ایک بات اور پوچھنا چاہوں گا۔ یہ آئی۔ ایس۔ آئی کی پیش رفت کوئی نئی چیز نہیں ہے اس نے ہم سے بدلہ لینے کی قسم کھا رکھی ہے۔ بدلہ کیا لینا ہے، پاکستان بنا ہی ہندوستان کے رد و دھ میں ہے، ہندوستان کو کمزور کرنے کے لئے۔ آئی ایس آئی نے کشمیر اور پنجاب میں ... "مداخلت"... جس بس ختم کر رہا ہوں۔ جس طرح سے ہمارے ملک کو پریشان کر رکھا ہے۔ جتنی جلدی اس کے اس حملے کو پیٹ دیا جائے ملیا میٹ کر دیا جائے اتنا زیادہ بہتر ہوگا۔ میں یہ چاہتا ہوں میں نے جو سوالات کئے ہیں ان سوالات کا آپ مجھے جواب دیں۔

श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी: सभापति महोदय, मैं इस बात पर बल देना चाहूंगा कि मुस्लिम समाज के बारे में अगर कोई भी व्यक्ति इस प्रकार की बात करता है, जिसको कहें एलीगेशन लगाता है, तो वह मुस्लिम समाज के ही प्रति नहीं, इस देश के प्रति और इस देश की सारी जनता के प्रति अन्याय करता है। मदरसों के संदर्भ में अगर कहीं पर कोई चर्चा हुई है सरकार की ओर से, गृह मंत्रालय की ओर से, तो इस बात पर चिंता प्रकट हुई है कि कई पाकिस्तान की सीमा पर अचानक अनेक मदरसे दिखाई देने लगे हैं पिछले सालों में। अब उस बात पर चिंता जरूर प्रकट की गई। मैं पहली बार जब गृहमंत्री का कार्य संभालने के बाद गुजरात गया तो गुजरात में गृह विभाग के सभी अधिकारियों ने, पुलिस के अधिकारियों ने इस बात की ओर ध्यान दिलाया और फिर साथ साथ यह भी कहा कि हम इस पर सावधानी रख रहे थे, लेकिन विगत दिनों में उसका मामला एक सार्वजनिक बन गया और जिसके कारण हमको वह छोड़ देना पड़ा। मैंने कहा कि देखिए, अगर कोई प्रकार की डवलपमेंट होती है तो उन डवलपमेंट पर, चाहे वह मदरसे हों या कोई और दूसरे प्रकार की संस्था हों, उसकी सावधानी बरतना यह आपका काम है, आपका फर्ज है। उसकी ओर उपेक्षा मत करिए। आई०एस०आई०

دو سنگاپور میں آئی ایس آئی کی ایجینٹ موجود ہیں۔ میں بڑی صفائی کے ساتھ اس بات کو کہنا چاہتا ہوں، اگر ہیں تو انھیں فوراً گرفتار کیا جانا چاہیئے، ملک اور قوم کے سامنے لاکر انکو ننگا کیا جانا چاہیئے، ایسے اداروں کو فوراً بند کیا جانا چاہیئے اور جتنی بڑی سے بڑی سزا انکو دی جانی چاہیئے۔ میں اس سرکار سے یہ جاننا چاہتا ہوں کہ کیا حکومت کے پاس ایسے کوئی ثبوت ہیں کہ اسلامی دو سنگاپور میں، ملائشیا میں یا مسلم یونیورسٹی میں یا جو یہ آرڈر لگا لگا کر ہندوستان کے مسلمانوں کو نروس کیا جا رہا ہے، کہ واقعی ان جگہوں پر آئی ایس آئی یا پاکستان کے ایجینٹ موجود ہیں، اگر ہیں تو میں گرہ منتری جی سے یہ چاہوں گا کہ، وہ اسی ہاؤس میں اس وقت بیورا دے دیں اور اگر نہیں ہیں تو اتنی شرمناک بات کہہ کر ہندوستان کے مسلمانوں کی وفاداری پر حملہ کرنے والے لوگ میری نظر میں ہندوستان کے دشمن ہیں۔ اور ملک کے استحکام کو توڑ پھوڑ کی جانب لے جانا چاہتے ہیں، ایسے لوگوں کے خلاف آپ کیا کاروائی کریں گے؟ اسکا بھی آشوا سن اس ہاؤس میں آنا چاہیئے۔

की जो गतिविधि चलती हैं, वह कोई ऐसा नहीं है कि कोई पाकिस्तानी ही यहां आकर करते हैं, वह तो खोजते हैं कि हमारा कौन एजेंट बन सकता है, किसको हम अपना एजेंट बना सकते हैं। इसलिए मदरसों के बारे में जो बात कही, इसी संदर्भ में आई। मुझे जम्मू-कश्मीर के लोगों ने भी यही बात कही, जो मुझे गुजरात में कही गई या राजस्थान में कही गई। उसी संदर्भ में उसका उल्लेख हुआ, किसी और संदर्भ में, मैं समझता हूं, अगर कोई करता है तो गलत करता है और मैं समझता हूं कि देश की अधिकांश जनता हिन्दू मुसलमान, देश के प्रति निष्ठा रखती है और देश की सुरक्षा के लिए वह भी उतनी ही चिंतित है, जितनी भारत सरकार है। इतना ही मुझे कहना है।

SHRI ADHIK SHIRODKAR: Mr. Chairman, Sir, recently there was an exhibition in Delhi and Mumbai of arms seized from ISI activities. They were highly successful. May I know from the hon. Minister whether the Government would consider bringing out a small documentary to show the same both in cinema theatres as well as on T.V. to acquaint the common man with the ISI activities and the manner in which the sophisticated methods of communication, destruction, etc., are used?

SHRI L.K. ADVANI: Mr. Chairman, Sir, this is not a question. This is a suggestion for action. I will certainly keep it in mind.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Death of Official in the Ministry of Mines

*141. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any progress has been made in the investigation of the circumstances which led to the death of Shri M.C. Mahapatra, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Mines on September 27, 1997;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the time by which the investigation is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) Shri M.C. Mahapatra, posted as Joint Secretary in the Department of Mines, died on 27th September, 1997 after he had "fallen down" from Shastri Bhavan building. Delhi Police registered the case and took up the investigation. However, a request was received from two former Members of Parliament for transfer of investigation of the case to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). A similar request was also made by Shri Mahapatra's wife and the investigation of the case was ordered to be transferred to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in November, 1997.

The investigation team of the CBI has so far examined 80 witnesses and the investigation is expected to be completed shortly.

मध्य प्रदेश के लिए परियोजनाओं को स्वीकृति दिया जाना

*143. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव: क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) आगामी वर्षों के लिए सरकार के विचाराधीन योजनाओं/परियोजनाओं का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने उक्त परियोजनाओं के वित्त-पोषण हेतु भारतीय वित्तीय संस्थाओं द्वारा प्रस्तुत आवेदनों/प्रस्तावों को स्वीकृति दे दी है;

(ग) क्या सरकार ने इन परियोजनाओं में से कुछ परियोजनाओं को मध्य प्रदेश में स्थापित करने के प्रस्ताव को स्वीकृति दे दी है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो प्रत्येक परियोजना की लागत तथा क्षमता सहित ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ङ) इन संस्थानों द्वारा मध्य प्रदेश में परियोजना के वित्त-पोषण हेतु अनुमोदित प्रस्तावों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(च) चयनित स्थलों पर इन परियोजनाओं का कार्य कब तक प्रारम्भ किया जाएगा?